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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): John F. McEntee

Serial No.: 10/691,037

Examiner: Jeff H. Aftergut

Filing Date: October 21, 2003

Group Art Unit: 1733

Title: SEPTUM

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- ☐ Response/Amendment ☐ Petition to extend time to respond  
☐ New fee as calculated below ☐ Supplemental Declaration  
☒ No additional fee (Address envelope to "Mail Stop Amendments")  
☒ Other: Petition to the Commissioner Under 37 CFR 1.181, Copy of RCE filed by fax, (Fee \$ )  
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OTHER FEES						\$ 0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

Charge \$ 0 to Deposit Account 50-1078. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any over payment to Deposit Account 50-1078 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.2 5. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 50-1078 under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.19, 1.20 and 1.21. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

John F. McEntee

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Attorney/Agent for Applicant(s)

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<b>PETITION TO THE COMMISSIONER UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181</b>  Address to: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket	10004031-2
	First Named Inventor	John F. McEntee
	Application Number	10/691,037
	Filing Date	October 21, 2003
	Group Art Unit	1733
	Examiner Name	Jeff H. Aftergut
	Title: "SEPTUM"	

Sir:

This petition is submitted to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a). This Petition is being filed in response to the Notice of Abandonment dated January 23, 2007.

Applicant hereby petitions for withdrawal of the holding of abandonment in the present application.

The Patent Office incorrectly indicated that the application was abandoned for failure to file a notice of appeal subsequent to the Final Rejection dated June 19, 2006. This holding of abandonment is in error.

The Applicants file a response to the Final Rejection on August 9, 2006. An Advisory Action was issued on August 23, 2006.

A Request for Continued Prosecution (RCE) was timely filed by Facsimile on September 18, 2006. The following evidentiary items are provided herewith to establish that the correspondence was timely filed:

- 1) a copy of the RCE as filed by facsimile with the United States Patent Office on August 9, 2006; and

- 2) a copy of the return receipt confirmation of the facsimile transmission received by the Office.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the holding of abandonment has been in error and the Office is respectfully requested to withdraw the holding of abandonment for this application.

While no fee is believed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1078.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: February 14, 2007

By: 

Bret E. Field  
Registration No. 37,620

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- Copy of RCE
- Copy of Confirmation of Receipt of Facsimile

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) 37 CFR 1.114**

Section (b) of 35 U.S.C. 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continuous prosecution application (CPA) under CFR 1.334a (PTO/SR229) instead of a RCE as an option for the patent term adjustment procedures of the AIPA. See Changes to Applicant Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Section 1.1, 19 Fed. Reg. 14888 (Nov. 20, 2000), 1230 n.c. 2nd, Fed. Office of Pat. 11, 2000, which established RCE practice.

**Submission under 37 CFR 1.114**☒ Previously submitted:

- ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on 08-08-2006  
☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on  
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- ☐ Amendment/Reply  
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**Miscellaneous**

- ☐ Suspension of action is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.  
 The fee for this Suspension is (37 CFR 1.17(f)) \$130.00.  
☐ Other:

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**Submission under 37 CFR 1.114**

☒ Previously submitted:

- ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on 08-09-2006  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
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- ☐ Other:

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- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time
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Please charge to Deposit Account 50-1078 the sum of \$790.00 . At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1078 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25.

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Subsection (b) of 38 U.S.C. 132, effective on May 28, 2002, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1993.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 28, 2002. If the above application was filed prior to May 28, 2002, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued examination application (CEA) under CFR 1.131a (PTO/CPTO) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the partial fee adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Prosecution Application Practice, Notice Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14823 (Mar. 28, 2000), 1232 et. seq. Fed. Reg. 47 p. 11, 2000, with Subsequent RCE practice.

Submission under 37 CFR 1.114☒ Previously submitted:☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.118 previously filed on 08-09-2009

(Any amended claim(s) referred to herein will be entered.)

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